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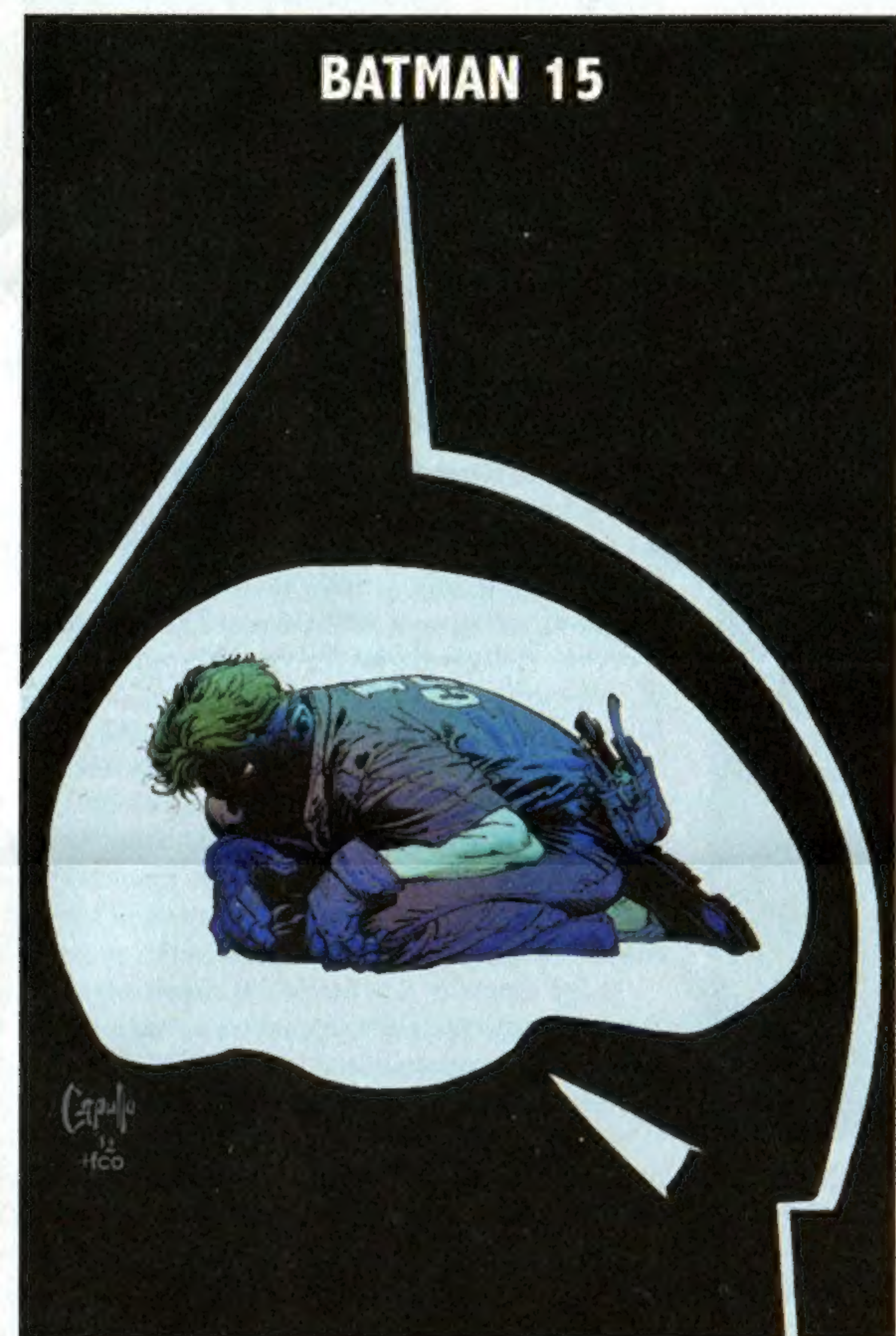
BATMAN "DEATH OF THE FAMILY"

"Death of the Family" Generates Killer Sales

The Joker has plenty to smile about, based on the sales of the first three books in his "Death of the Family" story event!

Batman #13, *Batgirl #13*, and *Catwoman #13* all sold out on or before their days of release, thanks in part to the striking overcovers that made them instantly recognizable on the ever-crowded comic shop racks. (Another tie-in to the story arc, *Red Hood and the Outlaws #13*, also sold out prior to its release date—which is even more surprising since it was *not* identified in advance as a part of the story and did *not* carry the distinctive Joker overcover.)

The storyline is the first major Joker saga in the New 52 Universe; his initial appearance in *Detective Comics #1*, while quite shocking, was rather brief (although it does serve as a grotesque lead-in for this Bat-family event). At the New York Comic Con, writer *Scott Snyder* said that the motivating concept behind the storyline "is that the Joker looks around and sees that Batman has accumulated this *family* around him. He thinks to himself, 'I'm your family...'" Convinced that reliance on this extended Bat-family has made the Dark Knight weak, the Joker sets out to free Batman of this weakness in his own inimitable and murderous manner.



To meet the incredible demand for the first three books in this major storyline, DC is sending all three books back to press for second printings that are scheduled to reach comic shops on November 14th. While the new editions will not feature the Joker wraparound overcovers, they *will* feature new, previously unpublished cover art, making them must-haves for collectors.

Batman #13 2nd Printing (SEP128013) will feature a previously unpublished cover by *Aaron Kuder*. *Batgirl #13 Second Printing* (SEP128014) will feature a previously unpublished cover by *Ed Benes*. And *Catwoman #13 Second Printing* (SEP128012) will feature a previously unpublished cover by *Andy Clarke*.

At presstime, DC is reporting strong reorder activity on already-solicited installments of "Death of the Family." (From the solicitation info, it appears that the first issue of each ongoing series to tie in to "Death of the Family" will feature the Joker overcover, while subsequent issues will not.)

The full list of upcoming installments includes:

- *Batgirl #14*, in stores November 14th.
- *Batman #14*, in stores November 14th.
- *Suicide Squad #14*, featuring the Joker overcover, in stores November 14th.



- *Catwoman #14*, in stores November 21st.
- *Detective Comics #15*, featuring the Joker overcover, in stores December 5th.
- *Batgirl #15*, in stores December 12th.
- *Batman #15*, in stores December 12th.
- *Batman & Robin #15*, featuring the Joker overcover, in stores December 12th.
- *Nightwing #15*, featuring the Joker overcover, in stores December 19th.
- *Red Hood & the Outlaws #15*, featuring the Joker overcover, in stores December 19th.
- *Teen Titans #15*, featuring the Joker overcover, in stores January 2nd.
- *Detective Comics #16*, in stores January 9th.
- *Batgirl #16*, in stores January 16th.
- *Batman #16*, in stores January 16th.
- *Batman & Robin #16*, in stores January 16th.
- *Nightwing #16*, in stores January 23rd.
- *Red Hood & the Outlaws #13*, in stores January 23rd.
- *Teen Titans #16*, in stores January 30th.
- *Batman #17*, in stores February 13th.

DC also updated the contents of *Batman & Robin #14*, which will no longer be branded as a part of "Death of the Family." However, at the New York Comic Con, writer *Peter Tomasi* said that *Batman & Robin #14* will contain some "Death of the Family" story elements (presumably the same way that *Red Hood and the Outlaws #13*, while not branded as an official part of the storyline, also contained significant story elements that made it a must-have for "Death of the Family" completists.)

by **Cliff Biggers**

Coming Comics—DC in January

Before *Watchmen* continues in January with *Before Watchmen: Comedian #5* by *Brian Azzarello & J.G. Jones*; *Before Watchmen: Ozymandias #5* by *Len Wein & Jae Lee*; and *Before Watchmen: Minutemen #6* by *Darwyn Cooke*.

In *Grant Morrison & Rags Morales' Action Comics #16*, the Man of Steel takes on the worst foe the multiverse has ever seen: Superdoom, a demon Superman from an alternate universe!

Hex is being driven mad as he recuperates at Dr. Arkham's house, where he meets more of the Arkham family than anyone would ever want to — until an uninvited guest drops by, and it's an all-out brawl as Hex tries to take Hyde out and get the Black Diamond in *All-Star Western #14* by *Justin Gray, Jimmy Palmiotti, & Moritat*. And in the backup story, Tomahawk leads a gathering of Native American tribes in a final stand to protect their homeland.

Animal Man has Constantine, Steel, Black Orchid, Beast Boy, Frankenstein and a whole army of patchwork men and women at his back — but is that enough to go up against Anton Arcane at the heart of the Rot? Find out in *Animal Man #16* by *Jeff Lemire, Steve Pugh, Timothy Green II, & Joseph Silver*.



"Throne of Atlantis" continues in *Geoff Johns & Paul Pelletier's Aquaman #16* as Aquaman finds himself pushed towards an impossible choice between Ocean Master and the League. And if that's not enough, the monstrous Trench are back!

"Death of the Family" continues in *Batgirl #16* by *Gail Simone & Ed Benes*, as the entire Gordon family is on hand for the wedding of Barbara Gordon and... the Joker? Then, in *Batman #16* by *Scott Snyder, James Tynion IV, Greg Capullo, & Jonathan Glapion*. Batman heads into his showdown with The Joker as the madman's plan is finally revealed — in *Arkham Asylum!* The story also runs through *Batman & Robin #16* by *Peter Tomasi, Patrick Gleason*,

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& Mick Gray. Has The Joker broken Damian? Has Batman's son met his fate at the hands of The Clown Prince of Crime?

Robin leads Batman on an unrelenting hunt across the globe for family secrets that promise to change them both forever in *Batman & Robin Annual #1* by Peter Tomasi, Ardian Syaf, & Vicente Cifuentes. If you think you know Bruce Wayne...think again!

The fight to reclaim Gotham City begins in *Grant Morrison & Chris Burnham's Batman, Incorporated #7* as Batman, Inc., takes the offensive against Talia and Leviathan!

Superstar artist Ethan Van Sciver joins writer Gregg Hurwitz beginning with *Batman the Dark Knight #16*, which pits Batman against the Mad Hatter. But this is unlike any Mad Hatter case he's seen before.

It's Batwing vs. the correct police force of Tinasha in *Batwing #16* by Fabian Nicieza & Allan Jefferson. Can Batwing save his alter ego and the innocents who may be caught in the crossfire?

A new hero is introduced in *Batwoman #16* by JH Williams III & Haden Blackman as everything that has been happening in *Batwoman* comes to a head.

The team gets a deadly new member in the form of Strix, a former Talon from the Court of Owls, in *Birds of Prey #16* by Duane Swierczynski & Romano Molenaar. Who is she and what does her appearance mean for the rest of the Birds?

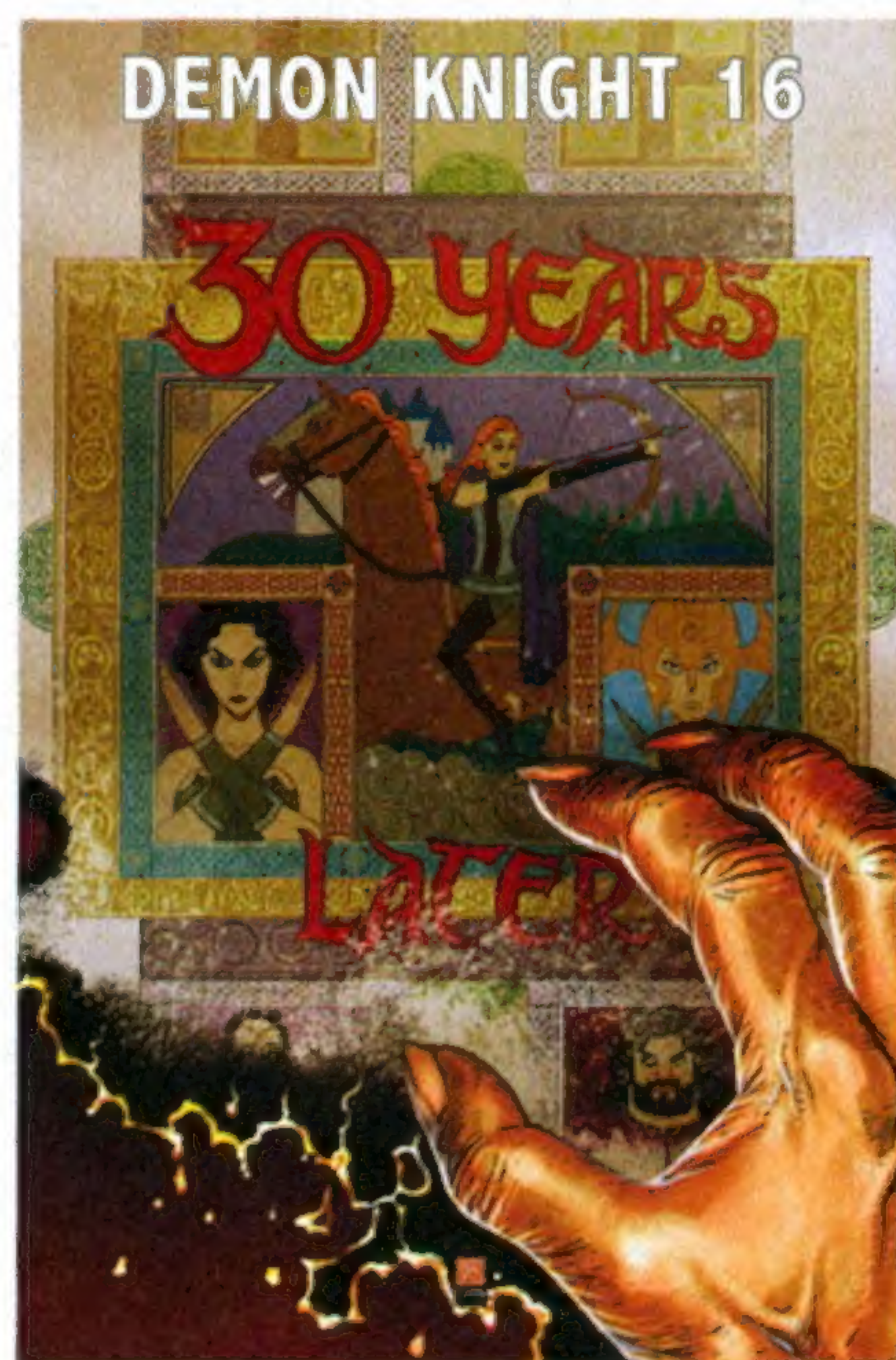
Blue Beetle is betrayed, and the secrets of Sky Witness's origin are revealed in *Blue Beetle #16*, the series finale.

Catwoman is possessed by the power of Eclipso in *Catwoman #16* by Ann Nocenti, Rafa Sandoval, & Jordi Tarragona. Selina may be able to fight her way out of the Black Room... but what will be left of her soul if she does?



Marc Andreyko, Robson Rocha, & Oclair Albert present the finale of the Black Lightning/Blue Devil team-up in *DC Universe Presents #16* — and someone's going to pay a terrible price!

The sins of the father come back to haunt Slade — now, tremble before the might of Jericho in *Deathstroke #16* by Justin Jordan & Scott Clark.



Robert Venditti makes his series writing debut with *Demon Knight #16*, joining artist Bernard Chang for a tale that reveals what happens in the thirty years since the Demon Knights last rode together.

John Layman & Jason Fabok present a "Death of the Family" tie-in in *Detective Comics #16*. As The Joker continues to wreak havoc on The Dark Knight and his allies, Batman is forced to cut a deal with The Penguin...one that will come back to haunt both of them when a new villain interferes!

The Centipede creeps in and strikes in *Dial H #8* by China Mieville, Alberto Ponticelli, & Dan Green.

The alien war criminal Steppenwolf returns in *Earth 2 #8* by James Robinson & Yildiray Cinar. It's been five years since he lead the forces of Apokolips against Earth — learn what he's been up to since then!

The Flash takes Grodd into the Speed Force in a last-ditch effort to defeat the mad gorilla in *The Flash #16* by Francis Manapul & Brian Buccellato. And...he loses?!

Frankenstein, Agent of SHADE comes to an end with the 16th issue, as Matt Kindt & Alberto Ponticelli dispatch the team to stop a group of superpowered biological terrorists from detonating a dirty bomb in Central City!

Firestorm is Public Enemy #1 in *The Fury of Firestorm: The Nuclear Men #16* by Dan Jurgens & Ray McCarthy. Ronnie and Jason weren't exactly getting along before their super-powered alias became a fugitive, so this won't help matters at all!

Things may seem dire for Green Arrow as he loses his grip on his town and his company in *Green Arrow #16* by Ann Nocenti, Freddie Williams II, & Rob Hunter — but if he's going down, he's going down fighting! And that's bad news for Harrow, the thug who's running guns into the city.

"Rise of the Third Army" marches toward its conclusion in *Geoff Johns, Doug Mahnke, & Christian Alamy's Green Lantern #16* as Simon Baz meets his fellow Green Lantern for the first time, just as the Corps teeters on absolute destruction! But what's happened to Hal Jordan and Sinestro since they've been sucked into the Dead Zone?

"Rise of the Third Army" continues in *Green Lantern Corps #16* by Peter Tomasi, Fernando Pasarin, & Scott Hanna. All hell is breaking loose as John and Fatality battle the Third Army and the Guardians unleash horror on Oa! And not to be left out of the mayhem and chaos, Guy Gardner breaks out of jail — with a little help from Earth's newest Green Lantern, Simon Baz!



Thanks to the Third Army, the Guardians have shut down the Green Lantern Corps in *Peter Tomasi & ChrisCross's Green Lantern Corps Annual #1*, the finale to "Rise of the Third Army." Get ready for a go-for-broke ending, which sets up the next great Green Lantern event!

As Kyle Rayner begins to master

the spectrum of Lantern powers, the Third Army attacks in *Green Lantern: New Guardians #16* by Tony Bedard & Aaron Kuder.

A mission to recruit allies against the unstoppable Third Army goes horribly wrong when Jediah Caul, a deep-cover GL, shows his true colors in *Green Lantern: New Guardians Annual #1* by Keith Giffen, Scott Kolins, & Andrei Bressan. This issue leads directly into the new epic "The Hunted, featured in this month's New 52 series *Threshold*.



The conspiracy surrounding Cole Cash has unraveled — and you'll find out who stands at the center of it all in *Grifter #16*, the series finale.

The true origin of vampires in The New 52 is revealed through the life and times of Cain in *I, Vampire #16* by Joshua Hale Fialkov & Dennis Calero.

"Throne of Atlantis" continues in *Justice League #16*, courtesy of Geoff Johns, Ivan Reis, & Joe Prado. The United States loses faith in the Justice League and enters the battle against Atlantis, setting in motion the creation of the Justice League of America!

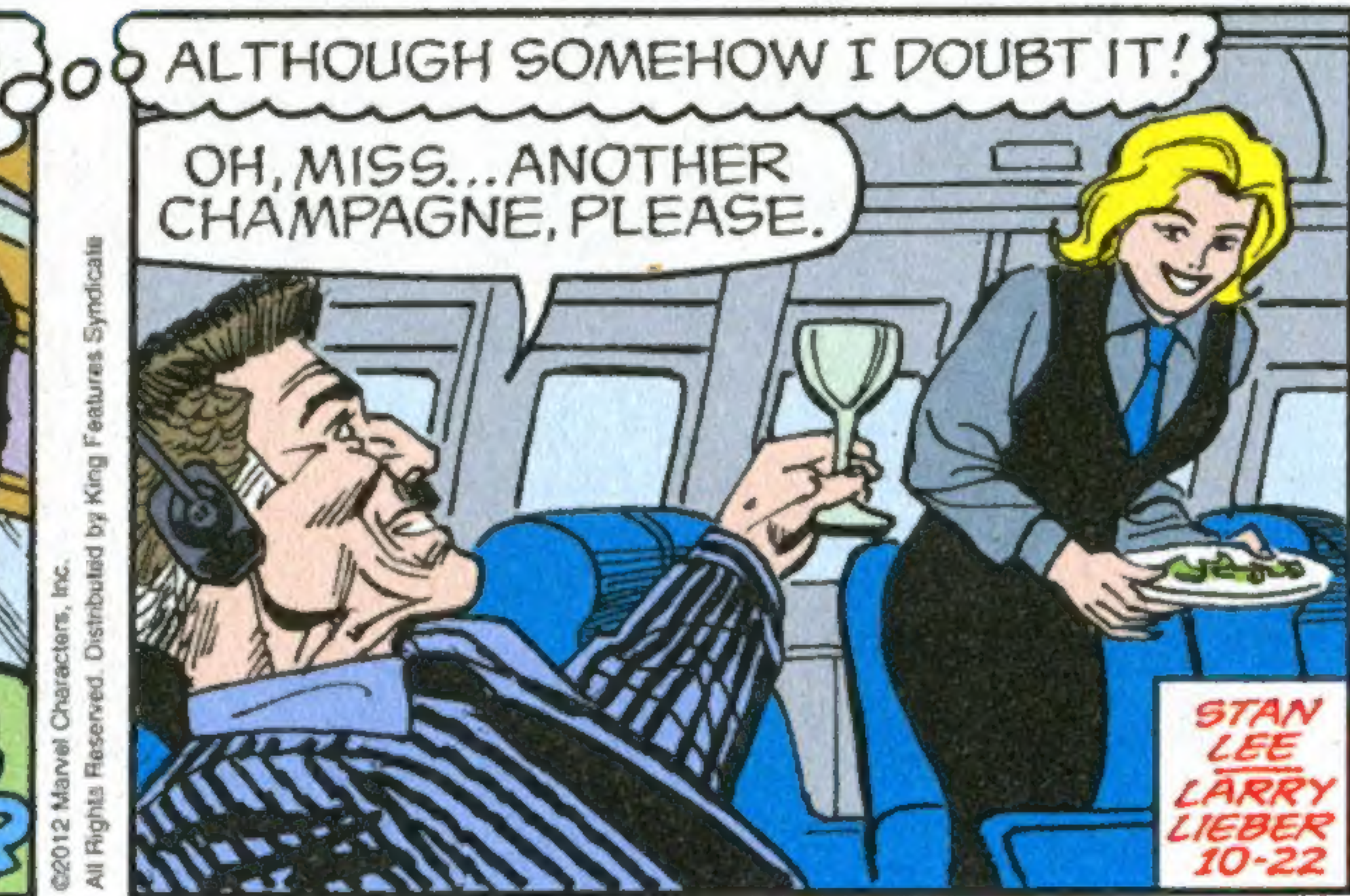
In Jeff Lemire & Ray Fawkes' *Justice League Dark #16*, the team is trapped on a magic-less planet that makes a horrible mockery of their powers! With time running out, Tim Hunter may be the team's last chance to escape...if Steve Trevor doesn't seal their fate first!

The Legion is about to have a new leader — and the Fatal Five is about to return — in *Legion of Super-Heroes #16* by Paul Levitz & Scott Kolins.

Superboy and The Ravagers guest-star in *Legion Lost #16*, the series finale.

Dick's past is about to burn down around him — literally — in *Nightwing #16* by Kyle

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Higgins, Eddy Barrows, & Eber Ferreira, a "Death of the Family" tie-in.

In *The Phantom Stranger* #4 by Dan DiDio, Brent Anderson, & Philip Tan, John Constantine and Justice League Dark learn the hard way why it's never a good idea to make the Phantom Stranger angry!

Rose Wilson and Warblade are hunting a rogue Ravager when it accidentally infects an entire community in *The Ravagers* #8 by Michael Alan Nelson, Ig Guara, & Norm Rapmund.

Tim Drake and Jason Todd have to survive a confrontation with The Joker and stop their respective teams from killing each other. Considering how well they have worked together in the past, that shouldn't be a problem, right? Well, you'll see how it all works out in *Red Hood & the Outlaws* #16, a "Death of the Family" installment by Scott Lobdell & Timothy Green II.

As battle lines are drawn, Atrocitus raises an army of unimaginable power... and it's not the Red Lanterns! Find out who it is in *Red Lanterns* #16, a "Rise of the Third Army" chapter by Peter Milligan & Miguel Sepulveda.

"Hawkman: Wanted" concluded in *The Savage Hawkman* #16 by Frank Tieri, Joe Bennett, & Art Thibert... and it seems that Carter Hall can't escape his past!

The unthinkable happens when Stormwatch's mission to capture the renegade Midnighter turns into an assassination plot in *Stormwatch* #16 by Peter Milligan & Will Conrad.

After a torturous few missions, the team resets under Amanda Waller's watch in *Suicide Squad* #16 by Adam Glass, Henrik Johnson, & Sandu Florea.



Superboy and Superman turn to the Justice League for help to evict H'El from Superman's own home in *Superboy* #16 by Tom DeFalco, R.B. Silva, & Rob Lean.

As the battle to stop H'El rages on, Superman learns the truth about just what Superboy is in *Superboy Annual* #1 by Tom DeFalco & Yvel Guichet... but is it the whole truth?

"H'El on Earth" continues in Mike Johnson & Mahmud Asrar's *Supergirl* #16 as Supergirl finds herself having to defend H'El from Superman, Superboy and the Justice League!

The "H'El on Earth" crossover event takes a shocking turn in Scott Lobdell & Kenneth Rocafort's *Superman* #16 as the Man of Steel leads Wonder Woman, Batman, Cyborg, the Flash and Superboy on the final assault on the Fortress of Solitude! But can Superman stop H'El when Supergirl is standing in the way?

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It's Swamp Thing vs. Rotmonster in Scott Snyder & Yanick Paquette's *Swamp Thing* #16 as Arcane's ultimate plan is revealed! What sacrifice must Swamp Thing make to cleanse the Earth of the Rot? And what secret did Batman leave behind in the ruins of Gotham City?

Amaya travels home to Earth from Gemworld only to find new trouble! What will happen to her powers when she becomes Amy Winston again? Find out in *Sword of Sorcery* #4 by Christy Marx & Travis Moore, which features a guest appearance by John Constantine!

In *Talon* #4 by Scott Snyder, James Tynion IV, & Guillem March, Talon battles his past and future in Metropolis! He hopes to escape Metropolis without losing the reason he left the Court of Owls in the first place. But standing in his way is one of the Court of Owls' most lethal weapons!

Justin Jordan & Jesus Merino present the secret origin of Deathstroke in *Team 7* #4 as the team clashes with Eclipso – and Slade Wilson!

The Titans learn a lesson they'll never forget as Arsenal takes control in Red Robin's absence in *Teen Titans* #16 by Scott Lobdell & Brett Booth, a "Death of the Family" tie-in.

Keith Giffen & Tom Raney launch DC's new SF feature "The Hunted" in *Threshold* #1. The story features the New 52 gallery of space heroes: The Star Rovers, Star Hawkins, Space Cabbie, Tom Tomorrow, Captain K'Rot, Star Ranger, and Jediah Caul, a disgraced Green Lantern stripped of his power ring, who is hunted for sport on a televised reality show! And in the backup feature, Giffen & Scott Kolins put the spotlight on Larfleeze, who finds himself robbed of everything he's hoarded!

Wonder Woman and her half brother Milan must grapple with the dangerous New God known as Orion in *Wonder Woman* #16 by Brian Azzarello & Cliff Chiang.



Power Girl and Huntress have been searching for a connection to their world, Earth 2, for years, but now they've kicked a hornet's nest of trouble — and the hunters become the hunted in *Worlds' Finest* #8 by Paul Levitz, Kevin Maguire, George Pérez, & Sandra Hope.

The Arrow continues his crusade against the underworld of Starling City in *DC Comics' Arrow* #3 by Marc Guggenheim, Andrew Kreisberg, Mike Grell, and others. But Oliver's resolve is tested as his secret identity puts him at odds with those closest to him...

Power Girl gets her moment to shine in *Ame-Comi Girls* #4, courtesy of Justin Gray, Jimmy Palmiotti, & Mike Bowden. But her starring role may be short-lived, as an all-female Manhunter force is out to destroy Power Girl!

The previous Whistling Skull vanished in Japan, but where is his body? That's a question that B. Clay Moore & Tony Harris address in *JSA: Liberty Files—The Whistling Skull* #2.

TJ Fixman, Andrew Dabb, Jonathan Larsen, Christopher Mitten, Giorgio Pontrelli, & Tan Eng Huat contribute new standalone stories to *Legends of the Dark Knight* #4.

An old friend returns with a new look in Bryan Q. Miller & Jorge Jimenez's *Smallville Season 11* #9. What terrible secret is he carrying? And what is the "Earth Two" Chloe's secret?

The Redeemer heads out West for a post-Civil War adventures and encounters Firehair in *Joe Kubert Presents* #4. And in the backup stories, Sam Glanzman's experiences aboard the U.S.S. Stevens take off on a mystical tangent, and Angel and the Ape return in a brawl courtesy of Brian Buniak.

Cutting-edge science fiction and hi-tech military action collide in *Insurgent* #1 by FJ DeSanto, Todd Farmer, & Federico D'Allochio. In the near future, the American government, using a powerful new form of nanotech, builds



a secret military force composed of unknowing ordinary citizens...what would happen if a mysterious terrorist group started activating these sleeping super soldiers for something far more sinister?

Tom Taylor & Jheremy Raapack present original tales set in the world of the highly anticipated videogame in *Injustice: Gods Among Us* #1.

The epic battle between He-Man and Skeletor comes to an explosive conclusion in *He-Man and the Masters of the Universe* #6 by Keith Giffen, Philip Tan, & Ruy Jose. As the dust settles, who will be left holding the Power of Grayskull?



Learn how Prince Adam first harnessed the Power of Grayskull in *Masters of the Universe: The Origin of He-Man* #1 by Joshua Hale Fialkov & Ben Oliver.

DC collected editions (advance solicited for February and March release) include:

- *Absolute Blackest Night HC*, an oversized slipcased hardcover reprinting *FCBD Blackest Night* #0, *Blackest Night* #s 1-8, *Untold Tales of the Blackest Night* #1, & *DC Universe* #0.
- *Batgirl Volume 1: The Darkest Reflection TP*, collecting *Batgirl* #s 1-6.
- *Batman Volume 2: City of Owls HC*, collecting *Batman* #s 8-12 & *Annual* #1.
- *Batman: The Black Mirror TP*, collecting *Detective Comics* #s 871-877.
- *Catwoman Volume 2: Dollhouse TP*, collecting *Catwoman* #s 7-12.
- *Earth 2 Volume 1: The Gathering HC*, collecting *Earth 2* #s 1-6.
- *Green Arrow: Salvation TP*, collecting the *Brightest Day* era *Green Arrow* #s 8-15.
- *Impulse Volume 1: Runs in the Family TP*, collecting *Impulse* #s 1-6, 8-9, & 12-13.
- *The New Teen Titans: Games TP*, a softcover edition of the Marv Wolfman-George Pérez original graphic novel.



- **The Shade TP**, collecting the 12-part miniseries.
- **Showcase Presents Sgt. Rock Volume 4 TP**, collecting *Our Army at War* #s 181-216 by Robert Kanigher, Joe Kubert, Russ Heath, and others.
- **Silver Age Teen Titans Archives Volume 2 HC**, a 400-page hardcover collecting *Teen Titans* #s 6-20 and *Brave & Bold* #83.
- **Stormwatch Volume 2: Enemies of the Earth TP**, collecting *Stormwatch* #s 7-12 & *Red Lanterns* #10.
- **Suicide Squad Volume 2: Basilisk Rising TP**, collecting *Suicide Squad* #s 8-13 & 0 and *Resurrection Man* #9.
- **Superman: The Death and Return of Superman Omnibus HC**, collecting 1008 pages of "Death of Superman" and "World Without a Superman," with bonus materials.
- **Adventures of Superman: Jose Luis Garcia-Lopez HC**, collecting 360 pages of classic Garcia-Lopez adventures of the Man of Steel.
- **Superman: For Tomorrow TP**, collecting Brian Azzarello & Jim Lee's *Superman* #s 204-215.
- **Superman Vs. Shazam! TP**, collecting *All-New Collector's Edition C58*, *DC Comics Presents* #s 33-34 & 49, and *DC Comics Presents Annual* #3.
- **Voodoo Volume 2: The Killer in Me TP**, collecting *Voodoo* #s 7-12 & 0.
- **Wonder Woman: Odyssey Volume 2 TP**, collecting *Wonder Woman* #s 607-614.
- **Young Justice Volume 3: Creature Features TP**, collecting *Young Justice* #s 14-19.



Coming Comics—Vertigo in January

The adaptation of Quentin Tarantino's *Django Unchained* continues with the release of the third issue, which may include scenes that didn't make it into the final cut of the film.

Vertigo collected editions (advance solicited for February and March release) include:

- **American Vampire Volume 5 HC**, collecting *American Vampire* #s 28-34 and the five-part *Lord of Nightmares* miniseries.
- **Animal Man Volume 4: Born to Be Wild TP**, collecting #s 27-37 of the original Peter Milligan series.
- **The Annotated Sandman Volume 3 HC**, featuring *Sandman* #s 40-55, *Sandman Special* #1, and a story from *Vertigo: Winter's Edge* #3, accompanied by copious amounts of historical insights, interviews, commentary, and more.
- **The New Deadwardians TP**, collecting the eight issue Dan Abnett-INJ Culbard series.



Coming in February from DC Collectibles

Superman takes flight in the *All-New Metallic Superman* by Frank Miller Statue, sculpted by Tim Bruckner and inspired by Frank Miller's legendary graphic novel *Batman: The Dark Knight Returns*.

Booster Gold makes the leap from Justice League International to the statue display case with the release of James Shoop's sculpt of the *DC Comics Super-Heroes Booster Gold Bust*.

The DC Comics—New 52 line of action figures continues in February with the release of the *Green Arrow Action Figure*.

Jack Mathews brings Neil Gaiman's *Death* into the third dimension with the release of the *Vertigo Cover Girls: Death Statue*, inspired by the *Sandman* graphic novels.

Coming Comics—Marvel in January

Witness Storm and Black Panther's first post-AVX encounter in *A+X* #4.

One of the original X-Men will undergo a dramatic change in the pages of *All-New X-Men* #5, courtesy of Brian Bendis & Stuart Immonen. Then David Marquez steps in as artist, joining writer Brian Bendis beginning with *All-New X-Men* #6.

Marvel reprints the first appearance of Alpha in *Alpha* #0.1 by Dan Slott & Humberto Ramos.

On Mars, the Battle between The Avengers and the Garden comes to a dramatic conclusion in *Avengers* #3 by Jonathan Hickman & Jerome Opena, featuring the birth of the New Adam.

The spotlight falls on the Vision in *Avengers Assemble Annual* #1 by Christos Gage & Tomm Coker, which spotlights a major turning point in the life of the android Avenger.

The all new Superior Spider-Man teams with Wolverine and the X-Men in *Avenging Spider-Man* #16 by Christopher Yost & Paco Medina.

Where has Colossus been to post-AVX and what is wrong with his powers? Find out in *Cable and the X-Force* #3 by Dennis Hopeless & Salvador Larroca.

Witness the birth of a legend! How did Steve Rogers, a 98 lb weakling, earn his courage in 1930? Rick Remender & John Romita Jr. answer that question in *Captain America* #3, which continues the "Castaways in Dimension Z" tale pitting Cap against Arnim Zola in a strangely twisted reality.

Carol finally returns home in *Captain Marvel* #9 by Kelly Sue DeConnick & Filipe Andrade—but something has changed. What is weakening Captain Marvel's powers?

Daredevil teams up with the Superior Spider-Man in *Daredevil* #22 by Mark Waid & Chris Samnee. Their adversary? Stilt-Man, who's better than ever thanks to some last minute help from Doctor Octopus.

Robin Furth & Richard Isanove focus the spotlight on Sheemie in *Dark Tower: The Gunslinger—Sheemie's Tale* #1.

It's Deadpool Vs. Lincoln in *Deadpool* #4, courtesy of Gerry Duggan, Brian Posehn, & Tony Moore.

Deadpool takes a twisted tour through the world of classic literature in *Deadpool: Killustrated* #1 by Cullen Bunn & Matteo Lolli.

A new year on a new world! In Matt Fraction & Mark Bagley's *Fantastic Four* #3, the Richards family rings in 365 days of adventure on a brand new planet! But someone's having second thoughts.

The new FF take to the streets to celebrate 2013 in *FF* #3 by Matt Fraction & Michael Allred. How does the world respond? And how do the kids of the Future Foundation feel about these new grown-ups running the show?

Hulk's first official mission for SHIELD: take down the All-New Quintron in *Mark Waid & Leinil Francis Yu's Indestructible Hulk* #3.

Get a good look at Iron Man's all-new space armor in *Iron Man* #5 by Kieron Gillen & Greg Land as the struggle with Extremis continues.

Exiled to a forgotten island, things heat up when Sif falls in with a group of brutal Asgardian savages in *Journey Into Mystery* #648 by Kathryn Immonen & Valerio Schiti.

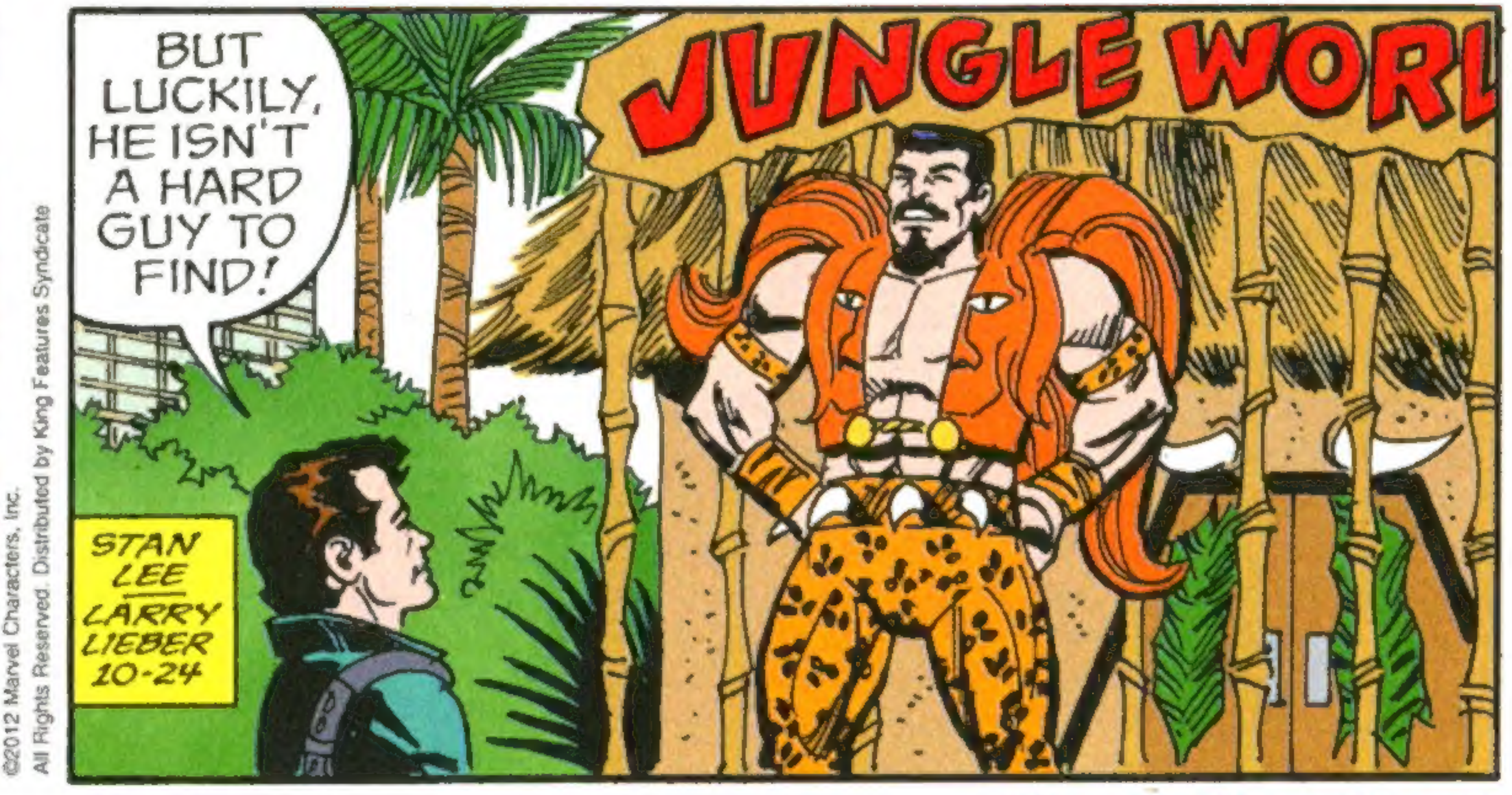
Marvel takes a look at the silver screen with a pair of movie-related projects: *Marvel's Iron Man 3 Prelude* #1 by Christos Gage & Steve Kurth, and *Marvel's Thor Adaptation* #1 by Christos Gage & Lan Medina.

After escaping from The Raft, Morbius is trying to find his place in a world that has rejected him. Witness his struggles to redeem himself in *Morbius: The Living Vampire* #1 by Joe Keatinge & Richard Elson.

To prevent the collision of our universe with another, the Illuminati—led by the Black Panther—assemble once again in *New Avengers* #1 by Jonathan Hickman & Steve Epting. Meet the most powerful and brilliant team in the Marvel Universe: The Black Panther, Iron Man, Doctor Strange, Black Bolt, Mister Fantastic, Namor the Sub-Mariner and The Beast.

A Special Forces soldier is injured and his family killed in the midst of a mob execution in Central Park, but this isn't Frank Castle. This time it's a young soldier named Jake Niman, but the familiar story puts Frank on the path of punishment in *Punisher: Nightmare*, a five-issue weekly series.

The Punisher takes on the Avengers in *Punisher: War Zone* #4 by Greg Rucka & Carmine DiGiandomenico.



In *Red She-Hulk* #61, Jeff Parker, Carlo Pagulayan, & Wellington Alves reveal that Betty Ross has more in common with Bruce Banner than the name Hulk!



Frank Cho takes readers back to the Savage Land in the pages of *Savage Wolverine* #1. With no memory of how he ended up in the Savage Land, and Shanna the She-Devil his only ally, Logan must unravel the mystery that slumbers at the heart of the Savage Land before it finds a way to kill him first.

An old foe of Spider-Man's returns in the form of the mutant werewolf Carlos Lobo... and he's not alone. See who else is making a return engagement in *Scarlet Spider* #13 by Christopher Yost & Khoi Pham.

The friendly neighborhood Spider-Man is gone... and in his place is *Superior Spider-Man*! The first issue of this Dan Slott-Ryan Stegman series picks up where *Amazing Spider-Man* #700 left off—and that means that there's someone new in the Spidey costume, ready to confront a new Sinister Six... and get friendly with Mary Jane!

Thousands of years in the future, the last god king of a ruined Asgard makes his final stand against the berserker legions of the God Butcher in *Thor: God of Thunder* #4 by Jason Aaron & Esad Ribic.

The Thunderbolts are tearing their way through a bloody mission! But will even this crew approve of the team's newest member? *Daniel Way & Steve Dillon* reveal all in *Thunderbolts* #3.

Miles finally has his costume, his web shooters, and now he has his first A-list Spider-Man villain! There's a new Venom in town and he's hungry—and you'll see how hungry in *Ultimate Comics Spider-Man* #19 by Brian Bendis & Sara Pichelli.

A member of the Uncanny Avengers joins the S-Men in *Uncanny Avengers* #4 by Rick Remender & John Cassaday. And when the chips are down, the fight all but lost, one Avenger must rise and face the terrible might of The Omega Skull!

In *Uncanny X-Force* #1 by Sam Humphries & Ron Garney, Psylocke and Storm lead a new team of outcasts and scoundrels, including Puck, Spiral, and the mysterious Cluster. The first adversary to strike out from the darkness? X-legend Bishop!

Peter David & Leonard Kirk launch "The Hell on Earth War" in *X-Factor* #250. The various Hell lords battle for domination in a war that was triggered by the seven billionth soul born on Earth, and only X-Factor can avoid the entire world going up in flames! This is the beginning of the end for X-Factor as we know it...

Comic Shop News

Two new villains begin plotting Legion's demise in *Simon Spurrier & Jorge Molina's X-Men Legacy* #4. And little does he know, one of them is lurking within his own psyche, and the other is now hiding among the X-Men themselves...

Kieron Gillen & Jamie McKelvie reinvent the next generation of Avengers in the pages of *Young Avengers* #1, uniting Wiccan, Hulkling and Hawkeye with Loki, Marvel Boy and Ms. America.

Marvel collected editions include:

- *Avengers: The Once and Future Kang* TP, collecting *Avengers* #s 262-269, *Avengers Annual* #15, and *West Coast Avengers Annual* #1.
- *Avengers by Brian Michael Bendis Volume 5 Premiere* HC, collecting *Avengers* #s 31-34, *New Avengers Annual* #1, and *Avengers Annual* #1.
- *Avengers Vs. Thanos* TP, collecting *Iron Man* #55, *Captain Marvel* #s 25-33, *Marvel Feature* #12, *Daredevil* #s 105-107, *Avengers* #125, *Warlock* #s 9-11 & 15, *Avengers Annual* #7, *Marvel Two-in-One Annual* #2, and more.
- *Avengers Vs. X-Men: Consequences* TP, collecting the five-part miniseries.
- *Avengers: West Coast Avengers Omnibus Volume 1* HC, collecting *West Coast Avengers* #s 1-4, *Iron Man Annual* #7, *Avengers* #250, *Vision & Scarlet Witch* #s 1-2, *West Coast Avengers* #s 1-16, *Avengers Annual* #15, *West Coast Avengers Annual* #1, and more.

- *Avenging Spider-Man: The Good, The Green, & The Ugly* TP, collecting *Avenging Spider-Man* #s 7, 9-10, & 12-13.
- *Captain America & Black Widow* TP, collecting *Captain America & Black Widow* #s 636-640.
- *Captain America: The Death of Captain America—The Complete Collection* TP, collecting *Captain America* #s 22-42 and *Winter Soldier: Winter Kills*.



- *Counter X: Generation X—Four Days* TP, collecting *Generation X* #s 71-75 and more.
- *Dark Avengers: Justice Like Lightning* TP, collecting *Dark Avengers* #s 175-182.
- *Deadpool MAX: Second Cut* TP, collecting *Deadpool MAX* 2 #s 1-6 and the *Deadpool MAX X-Mas Special*.
- *Essential Marvel Team-Up Volume 4* TP, collecting *Marvel Team-Up* #s 76-68 & 80-98 and *Marvel Team-Up Annual* #s 2 & 3.
- *Fantastic Four: Island of Death* TP, collecting a trio of oneshots by Tom Beland & Juan Doe.
- *Fantastic Four: Reunited They Stand* TP, collecting *Fantastic Four* #s 201-203 & *Annual* #s 12-14.
- *First X-Men Premiere* HC, collecting *First X-Men* #s 1-5.
- *Gambit Classic Volume 2* TP, collecting *Rogue* (1995) #s 1-4 and *Gambit* (1997) #s 1-4.
- *Iron Man by Joe Quesada* TP, collecting *Iron Man* #1/2 & 26-32 and *Annual* 2000.
- *Marvel Firsts: WWII Superheroes* TP, collecting 456 pages of classic Golden Age material featuring Captain America, the Sub-Mariner, the Human Torch, and many, many others.
- *Marvel Masterworks: Doctor Strange Volume 2* TP, collecting Dr. Strange stories from *Strange Tales* #s 143-168.
- *Marvel Masterworks: The Incredible Hulk Volume 7* HC, collecting *Incredible Hulk* #s 135-144, *Avengers* #88, & *Marvel Super-Heroes* #16.
- *Marvel Universe Ultimate Spider-Man Volume 2 Digest*, collecting *Marvel Universe Ultimate Spider-Man* #s 5-8.
- *New Avengers by Brian Michael Bendis Premiere* HC, collecting *New Avengers* #s 31-34.
- *The Punisher by Greg Rucka Volume 3* TP, collecting *The Punisher* #s 11-16.
- *Scarlet Spider Volume 1: Life After Death* TP, collecting *Scarlet Spider* #s 1-6 and more.
- *Silver Surfer by Stan Lee & Moebius* #1, collecting *Silver Surfer: Parable* #s 1 & 2.
- *Spider-Man: Dying Wish Premiere* HC, collecting *Amazing Spider-Man* #s 698-700.
- *Thor: The Mighty Avenger—The Complete Collection* TP, collecting *Thor: The Mighty Avenger* #s 1-8 and more.
- *Ultimate Comics Divided We Fall, United We Stand* HC, collecting *Ultimate Comics X-Men* #s 13-18, *Ultimate Comics Ultimates* #s 13-18, & *Ultimate Comics Spider-Man* #s 13-17.
- *Uncanny X-Force: Final Execution Book 2 Premiere* HC, collecting *Uncanny X-Force* #s 30-35 and more.
- *Uncanny X-Men: The Complete Collection by Matt Fraction Volume 1* TP, collecting *Uncanny X-Men* #s 500-511, *Annual* #2, and more.
- *Uncanny X-Men by Kieron Gillen Volume 3* TP, collecting *Uncanny X-Men* #s 11-14.
- *Wolverine & the X-Men by Jason Aaron Volume 2* TP, collecting *Wolverine & the X-Men* #s 5-8.
- *Wolverine: Sabretooth Reborn Premiere* HC, collecting *Wolverine* #s 310-313.
- *X-Factor Volume 18: Breaking Points* TP, collecting *X-Factor* #s 241-245.
- *X-Men: Blank Generation* TP, collecting *X-Men* #s 30-35.

- *X-Men: Fall of the Mutants Volume 1* TP, collecting *Uncanny X-Men* #s 220-227, *Incredible Hulk* #340, and *New Mutants* #s 55-61.
- *X-Women* TP, collecting *X-Women* #1 and *Women of Marvel: X-23, Cloak & Dagger*, and *Dazzler*.

Coming Comics—Dark Horse in January

A demon from Giles's past is turning innocent Slayers into zombies. Angel and Faith must rally the remaining Slayers to defeat him in *Angel & Faith* #18 by Christos Gage & Rebekah Isaacs.



Devin McKenzie is an insomniac librarian with a knack for solving puzzles. The Answer is a masked crime fighter with a giant exclamation point on his face. They share nothing in common... until both become embroiled in a deadly mystery surrounding a sinister motivational speaker in *The Answer! #1* by Mike Norton & Dennis Hopeless.

What happened to Fire Lord Zuko's mother? Finding a clue at last, Zuko enlists the aid of Team Avatar—and the most unlikely ally of all—to help uncover the biggest secret of his life in *Avatar: The Last Airbender—The Search Part 1* TP.

A group of agents enter an abandoned warehouse in Chicago, only to discover the site of a hundred-year-old magical ritual and an old Hyperborean weapon, in *BPRD: Hell on Earth* #103 by Mike Mignola, Scott Allie, & James Harren.

The Black Beetle's investigation of two local mob bosses is interrupted when a mysterious explosion murders them and a pub full of gangsters—taking out most of Colt City's organized crime in one fell swoop. Who could pull off such a coup? That's what the Black Beetle is determined to find out in *The Black*



Beetle: No Way Out #1 by Francesco Francavilla.
The saga that began in *Blood: The Last Vampire* and the *Blood+* anime series continues in *Blood-C Volume 1 TP* by CLAMP & Ranmaru Kotone.



Buffy finds herself face to face with Illyria and a mystical council in *Buffy the Vampire Slayer Season 9 #17* by Andrew Chambliss, Georges Jeanty, & Dexter Vines. She's been unwillingly recruited to take down a former enemy while her friends in San Francisco are left in a Buffy-less lurch with dire consequences...

Brian Cleavinger, Damon Gentry, Michael Allred, & Jim Pavelec contribute appropriately eerie tales in *Eerie Comics #2*.

Enjoy Emily the Strange in full color in *Emily and the Strangers #1* by Rob Reger, Mariah Huehner, & Emily Ivie.

In Pandemonium, the dead wait for Hellboy to claim his throne, but is he interested...? Find out in Mike Mignola's *Hellboy in Hell #2*.

Jane Espenson, Brad Bell, Ron Chan, Natalie Nourigat, M. S. Corley, Ben Dewey, & Tania del Rio bring their hit web series to comics in the 80-page *Husbands HC*, which tells the story of two young men who find themselves legally wed after a drunken Vegas weekend.

Brian Wood & Carlos D'Anda present the continuing adventures of the real *Star Wars* heroes in *Star Wars #1*, a series that takes readers back to the time following the destruction of the Death Star, when Luke, Leia, and Han were waging war against Darth Vader and the Empire. Alex Ross supplies the cover for the first issue.

In *Star Wars: The Clone Wars—Defenders of the Lost Temple TP*, Justin Aclin & Ben Bates present a new adventure set during season four of the animated series.

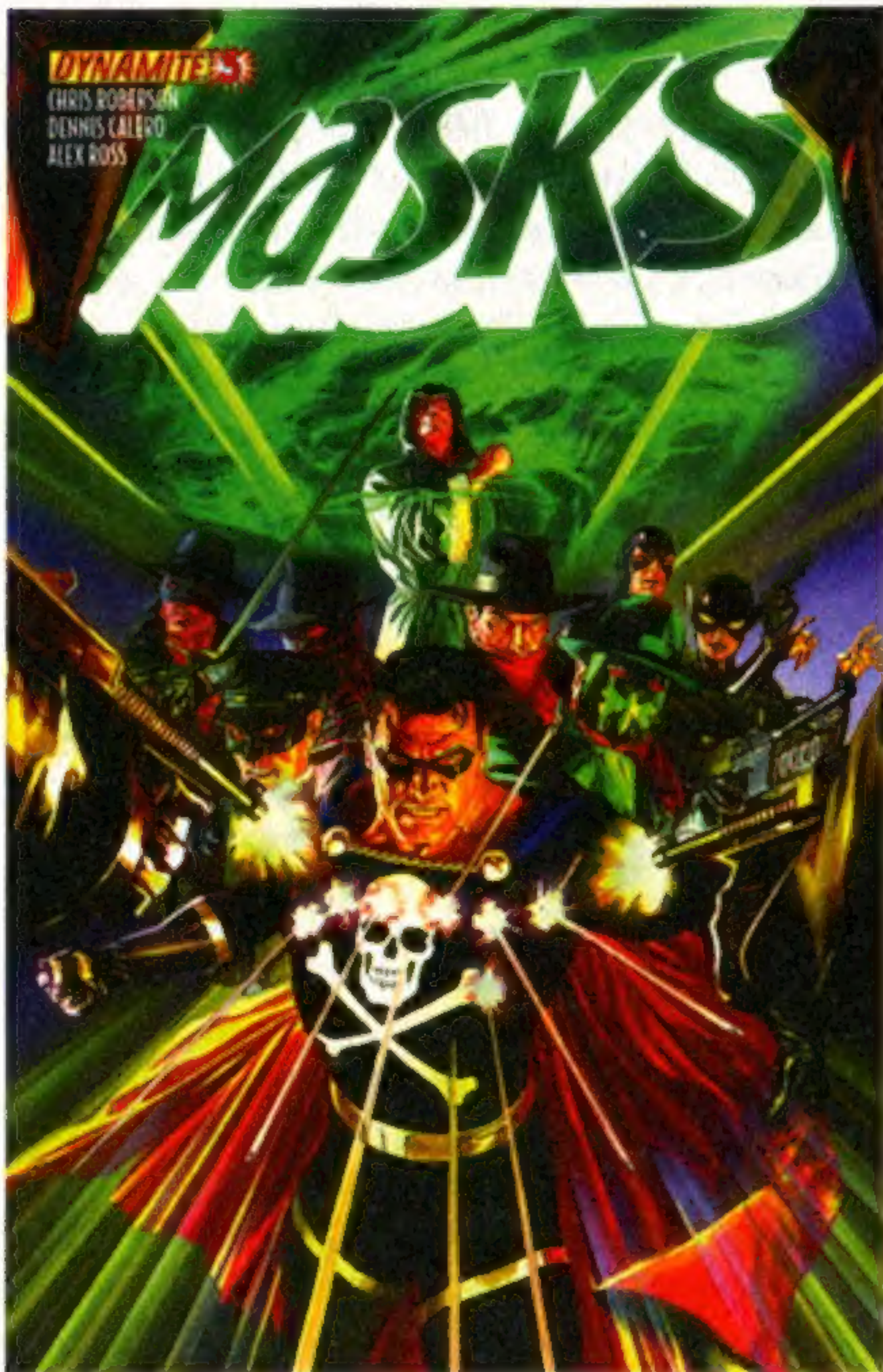
Trigun returns in *Trigun: Multiple Bullets*, a 204-page anthology of Trigun tales by a variety of top manga talents.

Dark Horse collected editions include:
• *Adventures into the Unknown Archives Volume 2 HC*, collecting *Adventures into the Unknown* #s 5-8.
• *Archie Archives Volume 8 HC*, collecting Archie tales from *Archie* #s 26-28, *Pep* #s 62-64, and *Laugh* #s 23-24.
• *Axe Cop Volume 4: President of the World TP*, collecting the 3-part miniseries.
• *Buffy the Vampire Slayer Season 8 Library Edition Volume 4 HC*, collecting *Buffy Season 8* #s 31-40 and the Riley oneshot.
• *Buffyverse Sampler*, a bargain-priced comic book collection of the first issues of *Buffy Season 9*, *Angel & Faith*, *Spike*, and *Willow*.
• *The Chronicles of Conan Volume 23: Well of*

Souls TP, collecting *Conan the Barbarian* #s 174-181 & *Annual #10*.
• *Crime Does Not Pay Archives Volume 4 HC*, collecting *Crime Does Not Pay* #s 34-37.
• *Jeremiah Omnibus Volume 2 HC*, collecting Hermann's post-apocalyptic adventure.
• *The Massive Volume 1: Black Pacific TP*, collecting *The Massive* #s 1-6.
• *Nexus Omnibus Volume 2 TP*, collecting *Nexus* #s 12-25.
• *Star Wars: Darth Vader & the Ghost Prison HC*, collecting the five-issue miniseries.
• *The Unauthorized Tarzan HC*, collecting the short-lived unauthorized 1960s Charlton *Jungle Tales of Tarzan* series featuring tales by Joe Gill & Sam Glanzman.

Coming Comics—Dynamite in January

Steve Austin joins forces with the FBI to track down a mysterious, seemingly bionic serial killer. But when the Bionic Man disappears, only Jamie Sommers has a chance to find him. But if their paths cross, will it be as friends, lovers...or mortal enemies? Find out in *The Bionic Man Vs. The Bionic Woman #1* by Keith Champagne & Jose Luis.



With criminals and corrupt politicians in power, the masked vigilantes are on the run in *Masks #3* by Chris Roberson & Dennis Calero. The Spider ventures to Albany to investigate the newly elected governor who has signed all of the unjust measures into law, while Green Hornet seeks to find the secret masters of the Justice Party. The Shadow encounters other heroes who have run afoul of the Black Legions, and still more individuals are inspired to don masks and take to the streets in the name of justice in this 1930s pulp-hero crossover epic.



Harry Dresden has survived the events of *Fool Moon* — barely — but all is not well in his world in *Jim Butcher, Mark Powers, & Joseph Cooper's Jim Butcher's Dresden Files: Ghoul Goblin #1*. He's still alienated from his closest friend, Karrin Murphy, and on exceedingly poor terms with Chicago's number one gangster, John Marcone. And that's just the small stuff — the creatures of the Nevernever don't take vacations and aren't particularly worried about Harry's friendships or love life.

Fearful that her monstrous nature is taking control, Vampirella takes solace in a Boston tavern overrun by the demonic in *Vampirella Strikes #1* by Tom Sniegowski & Johnny D. Living in a world of growing supernatural threats, Vampirella never knows what she will be facing from one moment to the next, but what she finds waiting for her in her Boston Brownstone when she returns from a night of hunting is the most unexpected of all: Angels of Heaven sent by God... and they want Vampirella to work for them!

Dynamite collected editions include:
• *Absolute Ultimate Gutters Omnibus Volume 3 HC*, featuring 136 more pages of Ryan Sohmer sarcastic, irreverent, parodies of the comic book industry—both its creators and its characters!
• *The Art of Vampirella: The Warren Years HC*, featuring the cover art for every issue of *Vampirella*, from #1 to #112 and the 1972 *Annual*, all showcased without logos or cover type.
• *The Bionic Woman Volume 1: Mission Control TP*, collecting *Bionic Woman* #s 1-6.
• *The Spider Volume 1: Terror of the Zombie Queen TP*, collecting *The Spider* #s 1-6.
• *Vampirella Volume 3: Throne of Skulls TP*, collecting *Vampirella* #s 12-20.



Coming Comics—IDW in January

The Doctor books a trip for Amy and Rory on a luxury star-liner for a little rest and relaxation after their recent adventures. But when the Doctor crosses paths with a thief from his past, any thoughts of peace go right out the porthole! in *Doctor Who #5* by Andy Diggle & Craig Hamilton.

November 23, 1963 saw the broadcast debut of *Doctor Who*, the longest-running science-fiction series on television. And now 50 years later, IDW pays tribute to one of the greatest pop-culture heroes of all time with the twelve-part *Doctor Who: Prisoners of Time* by Scott & David Tipton and Simon Fraser, which tells an epic adventure featuring all eleven incarnations of the intrepid traveler through time and space known simply as... the Doctor.

IDW brings their current *GI Joe* titles to an end in preparation for a series relaunch. Prepare to say goodbye with *GI Joe #21*, *Snake Eyes & Storm Shadow #21*, & *Cobra #21*.

Humanity has not yet reached for the stars, but the solar system is still a busy, exciting, and sometimes very dangerous place, as young Eddie Wallace is about to discover when he joins the crew of a freighter that hauls cargo in *The High Ways #1* by John Byrne.



Student Andrew Marcus' world is torn asunder when interstellar forces invade earth. With all hope seemingly lost, humanity's last chance may be a long-despised and forgotten race: the Jinn (otherwise known as "genies")! But are they our hope... or greatest fear? Find out in *Jinnrise #1* by Sohaib Awan & Tony Vassallo.

Mars unleashes war on the IDW Universe in January, and you can follow the conflict in a variety of offbeat oneshots, including *Mars*

Attacks Popeye by Martin Powell & Terry Beatty; **Mars Attacks KISS** by Chris Ryall & Alan Robinson; **Mars Attacks the Real Ghostbusters** by Erik Burnham & Jose Holder; **Mars Attacks the Transformers** by Shane McCarthy & Matt Frank; and **Mars Attacks Zombies Vs. Robots** by Chris Ryall & Andy Kuhn.

The distinctive art of Michael Golden is spotlighted in *Michael Golden's GI Joe Yearbook Artist's Edition Portfolio*, an 11" x 17" hard-cover portfolio reproducing *GI Joe Yearbook #2* in full color to most closely resemble the original art.

Mike Johnson & Claudia Balboni present the never-before-seen origin of the movie-timeline Doctor Leonard "Bones" McCoy in *Star Trek #17*.

The countdown to the motion picture event of 2013 begins in *Star Trek: Countdown to Darkness #1* by Mike Johnson & David Messina. This all-new series leads directly into the next movie, based on a story by *Star Trek* writer/producer Roberto Orci.

John Barber & Chee present a hitherto-unrevealed mission from the dark days of the war for Cybertron in *Transformers Spotlight: Thundercracker*.

IDW collected editions include:

- **The Cape: 1969 HC**, collecting the limited series by Joe Hill, Jason Ciarramella, & Nelson Daniel.
- **Danger Girl/GI Joe HC**, collecting the four-part miniseries.
- **Doctor Who Omnibus Volume 1 TP**, collecting *Agent Provocateur*, *Through Time and Space*, and *The Forgotten*.
- **GI Joe: Field Manual Volume 2 TP**, an archive of beautiful animation models focusing on Season 2.
- **GI Joe: The IDW Collection Volume 1 HC**, collecting *GI Joe: Origins #s 0-6 & 8-10* and *GI Joe #s 0-6*.
- **Library of American Comics Essential Volume 2: The Gumps—The Saga of Mary Gold HC**, collecting Sidney Smith's storyline from 1928-29.
- **Mars Attacks Classics Volume 3**, collecting five more issues of the Topps series.
- **Star Wars: The Next Generation/Doctor Who: Assimilation Volume 2 TP**, collecting the final four issues of the eight-part miniseries.
- **Steve Ditko's Monsters Volume 1: Gorgo HC**, collecting 224 pages of Charlton Gorgo tales by Joe Gill & Steve Ditko.
- **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Ultimate Collection Volume 5 TP**, collecting the final issues from the Eastman & Laird era.
- **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Adventures Volume 3 TP**, collecting 124-pages of all-ages TMNT adventures.
- **Transformers: Regeneration One Volume 1 TP**, collecting the first four issues of the classic series relaunch.



Coming Comics—Image in January

John Layman & Rob Guillory launch the second half of *Chew* in the pages of *Chew #31*... and it starts with a funeral.



DIAS DE LAS MUERTAS 1



Riley Rossmo joins with writers Alex Link, Christopher Long, & Dirk Manning to create a trio of tales inspired by the Mexican Day of the Dead in *Dias De Las Muertas #1*.

When Heaven raptures total bastard Bram Carlson in a "clerical error" — he's sent back and immediately uses Armageddon to his benefit in *The End Times of Bram & Ben #1* by James Aasmus, Jim Festante, & Rem Broo. Can his anxious roommate Ben save Bram from himself and the gathering forces of Armageddon?

It's all been building to this. Mark Grayson's entire life as a superhero, all he's learned, all he's endured, it's all been leading to this one moment. Will he become the hero he was meant to or will he choose... a different path? Find out in *Invincible #100* by Robert Kirkman, Ryan Ottley, & John Rauch—and Image promises that the aftermath of this extra-sized issue will shock readers! As with *The Walking Dead #100*, this will be offered with a variety of covers, as well as a special Chromium Cover Edition.

In a world where Demon possessions are commonplace, it's up to a crew of overworked blue-collar repo guys to repossess the victims with old grimoires and big guns in *Repossessed*, a four-issue miniseries by Jim Ringuet.

Matt Hawkins & Rahsan Ekedal present a behind-the-scenes look at the world of *Think Tank* in *Think Tank: Military Dossier #1*.

MK Perker & Ken Kristensen's *Todd, The Ugliest Boy on Earth #1* follows the misadven-

tures of America's most dysfunctional family as they go head-to-severed head with an Oprah-loving ax murderer, a cult-crazy soap opera star, and a neo-Nazi prison gang.

Rapture bearer Tom Judge is trapped in Hell. The only problem? He's forgotten where he is. It will be up to Tom's partner Tilly Grimes to save him from Hell in *Tom Judge: The Geometry of Hell* by Phil Smith & Kalman Andrasovsky.

Image collected editions include:

- **The Activity Volume 2 TP**, collecting *The Activity #s 6-12*.
- **Bomb Queen Deluxe Edition Volume 1 HC**, collecting *Royal Flush*, *Queen of Hearts*, and *Cat Fight*.
- **Elephantmen Volume 5: Devilish Functions TP**, collecting *Elephantmen #s 31-33 & 36-39*.
- **Haunt: Immortal Edition Book 2 HC**, collecting *Haunt #s 13-24*.
- **Invincible Volume 17: What's Happening TP**, collecting *Invincible #s 91-96*.
- **One Trick Rip-Off/Deep Cuts HC**, a 288-page compendium of *Paul Pope* material—150 pages of which are comprised of new, rare, and never-before-seen stories created during the 1990s.
- **Spawn: Origins Volume 17 TP**, collecting *Spawn #s 99-104*.



Coming Comics—Valiant in January

Throughout all of human history, the sacred lineage of the Geomancers has protected Earth from all who would seek to do it harm. But, now, a new Geomancer has been chosen — and she's stuck keeping Archer & Armstrong out of harm's way! But why has Kay McHenry been selected to wield this exceptional power? And

just what is her connection to the Eternal Warrior's blood vendetta? Only Gilad knows for sure—but readers will find out in *Archer & Armstrong #6* by Fred Van Lente & Emanuela Lupacchino.

Duane Swierczynski & Matthew Clark reveal Bloodshot's hidden history in the Valiant Universe in *Bloodshot #7*, which reveals just how far back the twisted, symbiotic relationship between Bloodshot and the mysterious Dr. Kureitch goes.

The Renegades recruit their newest member, Torque, in *Harbinger #8* by Joshua Dysart & Phil Briones.

Jack Boniface, the new Shadowman, finds himself trapped in the Deadside with no hope of rescue—and on the run from the otherworldly horrors that dwell there—in *Shadowman #3* by Justin Jordan & Patrick Zircher.

Robert Venditti & Trevor Hairsine begin the countdown to "Planet Death" in *X-O Manowar #9*, launching a two-part prologue that will lead into the X-O event that's almost a year in the making. The Vine invasion fleet has finally reached Earth, and they aren't leaving until they reclaim their sacred X-O Manowar armor. Standing in their path is Aric of Dacia, the first human to ever wield the armor's power. But the armor is capable of so much more than even Aric knows...

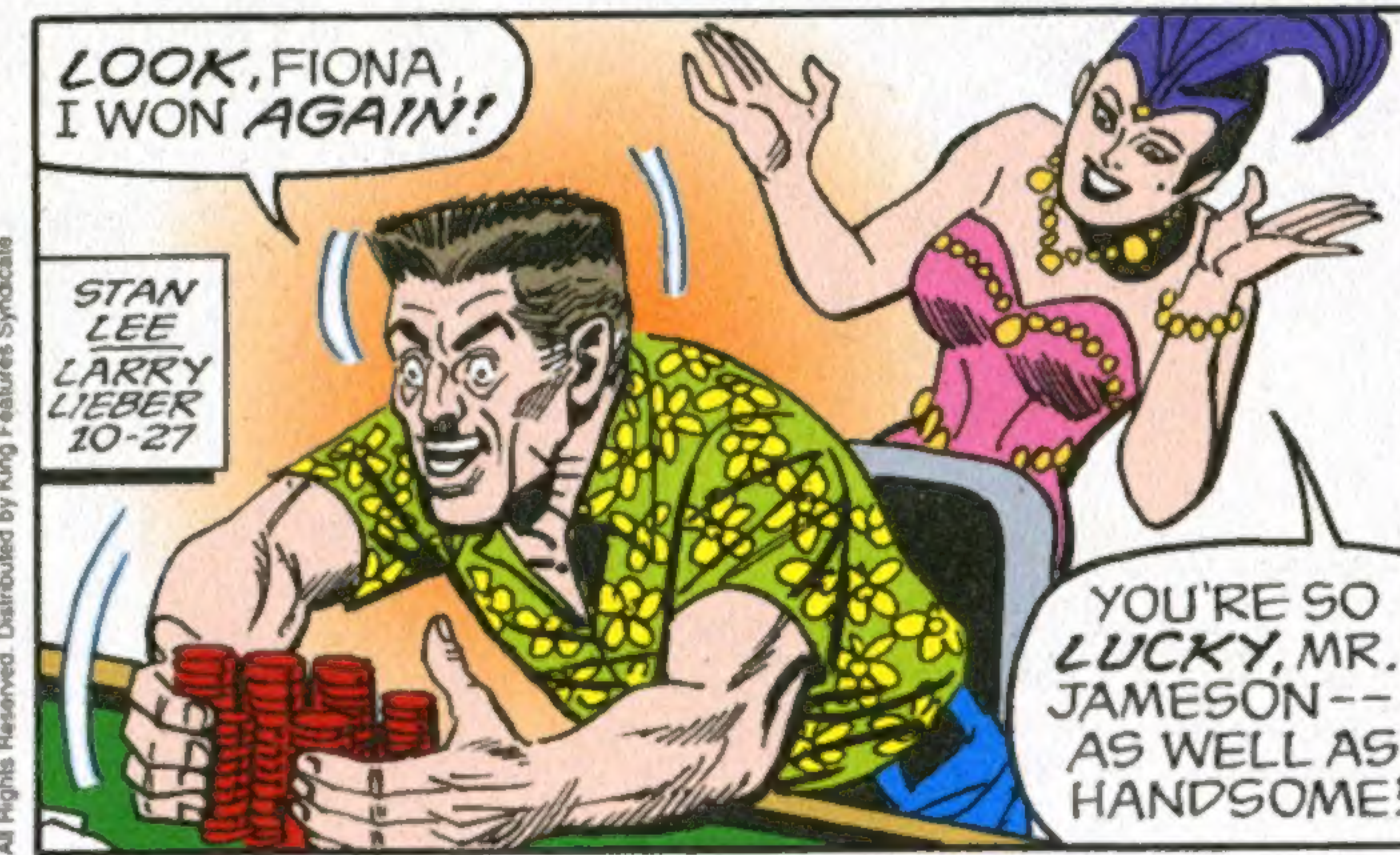
Valiant's collected edition program continues with *Harbinger Volume 1: Omega Rising TP*, collecting *Harbinger #s 1-5*.

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